

REMARKS

Claims 10-15 are currently pending. Claims 1-9 have been cancelled. Claims 10, 11, 13, 14, and 15 have been amended. Support for the amendments can be found throughout the specification and no new matter has been added.

The Examiner has rejected claims 10-11 and 14 under 35 U.S.C. §112 as being indefinite. Applicants believe that amended claims 10-11 and 14 are definite and allowable. The Examiner has rejected claims 13 and 14 under 35 U.S.C. §112 as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. Applicants believe that amended claims 13 and 14 are fully described in the specification and are therefore allowable.

The Examiner has rejected Claim 15 as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,188,319 to Frucht. *Frucht* is directed to an intruder detector system using a laser range finder (Col. 4, lines 49-62.). Claim 15, on the other hand, recites a distance-detection light receiving unit which has a visual field that is the same as the fan-shaped visual field of the measuring light. Neither *Frucht*, nor the other cited references disclose or suggest such a feature. At least for this reason, Claim 15 is allowable over the prior art.

Since all remaining claims depend on Claim 15, Applicants do not believe any further comments are necessary in connection with the dependent claims. Hence, all grounds for rejection of any of the pending claims is traversed.

Reconsideration of the pending claims is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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